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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th/August, through Sunday, 15th/August there were 209 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

7Q, MALAWI. Ely, IN3VZE, will be active once again from the west shore of Lake Malawi using the callsign **7Q7CE** from **September 9-23rd**. Activity will be on all band 160-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign IN3VZE, direct or by the Bureau.

7Q, MALAWI. Allen, G0IAS, reports to OPDX that, "The dulcet tones of **7Q7HB**, Harry, will once again be coming from Club Makokola, on the South West shores of Lake Malawi as from about the **12th August**... length of stay not known at this time... but at least **6 weeks**." QSL ONLY DIRECT to G0IAS (NO BUREAU cards accepted). Return stamp/postage is needed (DO NOT bother about envelopes.... G0IAS will supply). Allan also informed OPDX that he is hoping to go down to Malawi before the year's end and be active as 7Q7RM.

AT0, INDIA. Binu, VU2NGB, will be active as **AT0B** from **Vypin Island** (no IOTA number), near Kochi City in India, during the **CQ WW DX CW Contest** (**November 27-28th**) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. Look for him on 7009 and 14019 kHz. Please QSL direct to: GPO Box 2235, Sydney, NSW 2001, Australia.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, informs OPDX of the following Somalia 6O/T5 operations: "Effective immediately, the ARRL DXCC Branch will accept QSLs for operation taking place in the **Somaliland** (northwestern Somalia) and **Puntland** (northeastern Somalia) autonomous areas as well as the southern and central areas of Somalia. Operations possessing written permission from any recognized authority that is acknowledged to be in control of a particular region will be accredited. These QSLs will count for the **Somali Democratic Republic** (Somalia). QSLs for past operations will be accepted where proper documentation has been submitted. This is subject to change based on future developments in Somalia."

E2, THAILAND. Look for Champ, **E21EIC**, to be active during the **CQ/RJ DX RTTY Contest** (**September 25-26th**) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via E21EIC.

FK, NEW CALEDONIA. Eleven operators/members from the Mitsubishi Electric Tokyo ARC (JM1YGG) will be active as **FK/JM1YGG** and **FK/homecall** between **September 16-19th**. Operators mentioned are: JA1BAB, JA1IWP, JA1RNO, JA1RTG, JR1KHM, JI1EOP, JJ1EWN, JK1EBA, JA3RAF, JR3OET, and JF3IPR. They plan to operate on 80-10 meters CW, SSB and FM. They are not sure about the digital mode at this time. QSL via JM1YGG, direct or by the bureau. The JM1YGG, Mitsubishi Electric Tokyo Amateur Radio Club's, address is: 2-1-1 Marunouchi, Tokyo, 100-8310 JAPAN.

HH4, HAITI (Update). Just a reminder that Jan, K4QD, will be here for **two weeks** and will be active as **HH4/K4QD** during his spare time (See OPDX.671). He states that he will upload his log to LoTW when he returns.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **EU-056**. Operators Bjorn/LA5UKA and Trond/LA9VDA will be active as **homecall/p** from **Gossen Island**, **August 20-25th**. QSL via their home callsign per QRZ.com.
- **OC-155**. Lanny, W5BOS, will activate **Pulap** (Pollap) Island, West Chuuk, Fed. States of Micronesia, **October 18-23rd**. His callsign will be **V6O**. QSL via N6AWD.

J3, GRENADA. Operators AC8G, K8LEE, KC8JAY, W8GEX, W8ILC and possibly others will be active during the **CQ WW DX SSB Contest** (**October 30-31st**) as a Multi-Multi entry. Callsign will be announced later. Look for activity on various modes and bands a day or so before and after the contest.

J42, GREECE (Also IOTA Op.) Stavros, M0BBB/5B4AFM, will be active as **J42004A** from **Skopelos** (**EU-072**) and **Athens**, between **August 17th and September 1st**. Activity will be on 20 meters (and possibly 30m) using 100 watts and dipole. By the way, this is a special callsign to help celebrate the **Olympics** in Athens. QSL via M0BBB via the Bureau or direct.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY (Cancelled Trip!). Bill/W4WX (aka KG4DX), member of the Florida DXPedition Group, was expected to be active here last week, but his trip was cancelled.

He states, "No seats available for Space A Cat VI.. Sorry, will try again later on."

KH9, WAKE ISLAND. George, AH8H, is now active as **KH9/AH8H** through the **end of the month**. His activity has been limited due to his work. Most of his activity has been on 40 and 30 meters CW between 0800 and 1030z.

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY (The ILLW is this coming weekend!).....

- Mike, GM4SUC, Organizer and Coordinator of the International Lighthouse/ Lightship Weekend, stated last week that "We now have over 314 confirmed stations in 42 countries..... All we need is some propogation to go with the fun of the weekend." A full list can be found at: http://illw.net/2004_list.htm
- The Gozo Amateur Radio Society will be active again in this year's ILLW as 9H4GRS/P on Sunday, August 22nd, from Jordan's Lighthouse (MLT03). Activity will be on 20 and 15 meters.
- Members of the Gran Canaria DX Group will be active in the ILLW as ED8FLH from Punta de Jandia Lighthouse (Fuerteventura Island - AF-004, CAI-040, D2790, S006 and DME35015). Activity will be on CW/SSB. The operators mentioned are: EA8DP, EA8CAC, EA8AJW, EA8AZM and EC8ABT. QSL via EA8AKN.
- Jurij, MM0DFV, provided a list of Scottish Lighthouses to be active in this weekend's ILLW. For pictures and detailed information on the following lighthouses, please visit the Scottish Ham Portal at: http://www.scotham.net
    - SCO-NEW **GM3TKV/p** - **Kingston Beacon** QSL via GM3TKV
    - SCO-015 **GB2LBN** - **Barns Ness Lighthouse** QSL via GM4UYZ
    - SCO-064 **GB2DL** - **Dunollie Lighthouse** QSL via MM1AVR
    - SCO-075 **GB2ELH** - **Eshaness Lighthouse** (EU-012) QSL via WA7OBH
    - SCO-089 **GB2GNL** - **Girdle Ness Lighthouse** QSL via GM4JLZ
    - SCO-103 **MM0MWW** - **Hoxa Head Lighthouse** (EU-009) QSL via MM0EAX
    - SCO-113 **GB2MSL** - **Kinnaird Head Old Lighthouse** QSL via GM1JNS
    - SCO-151 **GB2NCL** - **North Carr Lightvessel** QSL via GM3NHQ
    - SCO-191 **GB2RRL** - **Rubha Reigh Rua Reidh Lighthouse** QSL via GM4CHX
    - SCO-226 **GB2SHL** - **Stoer Head Lighthouse** QSL via GM8UPI
    - SCO-245 **MM1HMV** - **Toward Point Lighthouse** QSL via MM1HMV
    - SCO-248 **GB2LT** - **Turnberry Lighthouse** QSL via GM0JHF
    - SCO-317 **MM3STM** - **Ardrossan Pier Head** QSL via MM3STM
- The Panama Canal Amateur Radio Association (PCARA) will operate as **HP2L** from the **Gamboa Lighthouse in the Panama Canal** (ARLH No. PAN-027) in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend, **August 21-22nd**. Activity will be on all modes CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via HP1IBF or by the Bureau.
- Look for Eagle Harbor, Michigan's (Keweenaw County), **Eagle Harbor Lighthouse** (USA-253) to be activated in the ILLW, **August 21- 22nd**, using the special 1x1 callsign **K8E**. Modes of operation include HF/VHF, CW/SSB, FM Satellite and possible HF digital. Collectors of ARLHS numbers can get credit for three upon request: Eagle Harbor Lighthouse USA-253, Front Range Light USA-254 and Rear Range Light USA-255. QSL via the bureau or direct to N8MR with #10 SASE. The Web page is: http://www.kc8nah.com/Interests/illw04.htm
- The "Grupo Titan" (**LT7W**) will be active in the ILLW from **Faro 'Golfo Nuevo'** ('Golfo Nuevo' Lighthouse) ARG-038. QSL information is: P.O.Box 4, 9120-Puerto Madryn,

CHUBUT, ARGENTINA. Send S.A.S.E. (w/ 2 IRC - NO GREEN STAMPS). Also, they will confirm the QSOs via the e-QSL system. PLEASE, DON'T SEND QSLs VIA THE BUREAU.

- Emmanuel, LU9ESD (Founding member of th BBDX), informs OPDX that members of the Bahia Blanca DX Group (http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar) will again take part in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (**August 21-22nd**). This year they will activate three different lighthouses at the same time. As usual, no special callsign will be used, only their personal callsigns / provincial letters (depending on the lighthouse). All three lighthouses will be active during the 48 hour event on all bands (including the WARC bands) and modes. Here are the Lighthouses with the respective reference numbers and operators:

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Recalada:          ARG-009, Lat. 39° 00´ S and Long. 61° 16´ W,
                       Grid FF91ia and Buenos Aires Province "/D").
                       Operators/Stations are: LU6EPR/Ricardo,
                       LU7EVP/Vernon, LU8EHQ/Carlos, LU8EBK/Marcos,
                       LU4DRH/Dario, LU5DEM/Eduardo, LU6DRD/Diego and
                       LU5DRV/Walter.
El Rincon:         ARG-036, Lat. 39° 23´ S and Long. 62° 01´ W,
                       Grid FF80xo and Buenos Aires Province "/D").
                       Operators/Stations are: LU9ESD/Emmanuel
                       LU4ETN/Carlos, LU8EBJ/Gabriel, LW3DKC/Sebastan,
                       LW9EVA/Hugo and LW8DMK/Marcelo.
Segunda Barranca: ARG-067, Lat. 40° 46´ 34" S and Long.
                       62° 16´ 27" W, Grid: FE89uf and Buenos Aires
                       Province "/D"). Operators/Stations are:
                       LU7DSY/Carlos, LW8EAG/Gabriel, LU1EUU/Gerardo,
                       LU7AC/Marcelo and LU8DWR/Osmar.
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  QSL Manager for BBDX ILLW activity is LU7DSY: Carlos Almiron, P.O. Box 709, 8000 Bahia Blanca, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- The Grumman Amateur Radio Club will participate in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend **August 21st**, from the **Nantucket Lightship** in **Oyster Bay, NY**. This is the LV112 ship built in 1936 and stationed at Nantucket Shoals from 1936 to 1942, 1945 to 1958, and 1960 to 1975. Callsign will be WA2LQO/LS. QSL to the CBA.
- Simo, OH2HAN, informs OPDX that the Finnish radio club "Kissen Kipina", OH2ET, will be active from a working sea and air Lighthouse, which is also a church at the same time! During their operation, there will be several marriage ceremonies in that church. The Lighthouse is actually situated at the top of the church - at the height of 54.2 metres from the sea level - the highest in Finland. The church is located on **Suomenlinna Island** in front of Helsinki City. The Lighthouse number is FIN063, and they will be using the callsign **OH2ET/LH**. QSL via the bureau. They are expected to be on SSB at least on 20 and 80 meters.
- Kevin, VK2CE, informs OPDX that there will be some rare Australian lighthouses in the ILLW event **August 21-22nd**. Look for the following:
  - VI7CL is a special event callsign that has been issued for activation of the **Currie Lighthouse** on **King Island** in Bass Strait. There is a team of 5 going there from mainland Australia. The callsign celebrates the centenary of the discovery and mining of Scheelite on the island.
  - **VK9MI** will be activating **Macquarie Island Lighthouse**, a very rare IOTA

location.

- LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY FROM SOUTH AFRICA. Dennis, ZS4BS, provides the following list of South African lighthouses that will be activated during the International Lighthouse/Lightship weekend, **August 21-22nd**:
    - The Adventure Radio Club of Cape Town will be active as **ZS1ARC** from the **Cape Columbine Lighthouse** near Paternoster on the west coast.
    - The Boland Amateur Radio Club will be active as **ZS1BAK** from the **L'Agulhas Lighthouse**. L'Agulhas Lighthouse is the most southerly lighthouse on the African continent.
    - The Overberg Amateur Radio Club will operate from the **Danger Point Lighthouse** using the callsign **ZS1OAR**.
    - The Hibiscus Coast ARC will activate the **Port Shepstone Lighthouse** using the callsign **ZS5HAC**.
    - The Durban ARC will activate the **Cooper Lighthouse** with callsign **ZS5D**.
    - ADDED NOTE: There may be activity from **Port Elizabeth** and **East London**.
- Look for the PS7AA group to be active as **ZV7AA** in the ILLW from a lighthouse (ARLS-BRA-161, DFB-RN-07). Activity on CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31. QSL via PS7AA.

MIA CONTEST. The **Mediterranean Islands Contest**, which is organized by the Mediterraneo DX Club, will take place from 1200z, **September 18th** to 1200z, **September 19th**. The rules can be found on the following Web page at:
http://www.mdxc.org/contestmia/rules.htm

OH, FINLAND (IOTA and LH Op!). A group of Latvian amateurs (YL2FB, YL2CI, YL2GQG and YL1ZF) will be active from the Etela-Suomi(Uusimaa) Province Group (**EU-097**) using callsign **OH/YL2FB**, **August 15-19th**. On Friday, if weather/wind condition are good enough, the group will move to **Soderskar**, an off-shore lighthouse FIN-057, to take a part in ILLW on **August 20-21st**. Operations from both locations are planned to be on all HF bands, including the WARC bands, CW/SSB/RTTY and utilizing wire antennas and GPs for the lower bands. They will also use multiband beams for 20 to 10 meters. They also plan VHF/UHF operation on 6m, 2m and 70cm as well. QTH locators are KO19JN and KP20QL, respectively. QSL via YL2FB.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Closing Pacific DX Logs. The following Pacific DX logs will be closed on the 1st of October 2004:
    - **3D2JH** (Fiji) From June 27, 1997, to August 3, 1997
    - **C21JH** (Nauru) From August 16th to September 4th, 1998, and from June 28, 1999, to December 17, 2000
    - **T30JH** (Western Kiribati) from February 21, 1998, to September 25, 2000
    - **T33JH** (Banaba) From July 20, 1997, to July 26, 1997.

  So, if you need any cards for the above operations, now is the time to make your move before October 1st. QSL requests may be directed to VK2XQ (formerly VK2GJH): Mr. Jack D.Haden, PO Box 299, Ryde, NSW 1680, Australia. As Jack is not a member of the VK QSL bureau, all requests are to be direct only with sufficient funds for return postage.
- Pavel, OK1MU, informs OPDX that he still has about 500 full-colored QSL cards for his previous callsigns **5N0/OK1MU** and **5N35/OK1MU**. If someone still needs these QSL cards, requests can be sent via the OK Bureau or direct to OK1MU: Pavel Prihoda,

Okruzni 331, Solnice 517 01, CZECH REPUBLIC.

- Bela, HA9SU, states that he now has his log online at: http://www.starjan.hu/~ha9su/
- **YV0D LOGS**. The YV0D online log search is now up and running at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?yv0d Also, visit the following Web page for pictures and logs at: http://www.radioclubvenezolano.org

S7, SEYCHELLES. All arrangements have been made for Willi/DJ7RJ and Klaus/DJ4SO to be on the air from Seychelles beginning **October 3th**, for **2 or 3 weeks**. They will be operating as **S79RJ** (DJ7RJ) and **S79SO** (DJ4SO) on 40-6 meters, CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31. Use of the 80 meter band has not been authorized, but they will be requesting permission to operate on 80 meters during the weekends (3505 kHz +/-). QSL via their home callsigns.

SV5, DODECANESE. Wojtek, SP5MXZ, is active as **SV5/SP5MXZ** from **Rhodes Island** until **August 20th**. Activity will be on 20 meters CW/SSB. QSL via his home callsign. During this past weekend, he was expected to operate as SX5A (from a local club station), but as this was being typed we saw no QSNs. Also, look for him to be active later in the week as **J42004**/SP5MXZ. QSL via his home callsign.

T98, BOSNIA AND HERZRGOVINA. Babs/DL7AFS, Lot/DJ7ZG and Chris/Z31GX will be active as **T98LBC** from **September 2-12th**. Activity will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31, on 160-6 meters. QSL via DL7AFS, by the German Bureau or direct. More information and pictures are availabe on their Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs/

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS (Update). Operators KY1V, WA2PGM, K0RAY, N0VD and possibly others will be active as **VP5X** during the **CQWW DX SSB Contest** (**October 30-31st**) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL route is via OH3RB or W2GB. ADDED NOTE: KY1V is sponsoring another free trip for a young ham (See OPDX.671). For more details, please visit: http://www.vp5x.com

Z38, MACEDONIA. Before their T98 DXpedition (See T98 above), Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DL7ZG will spend some holiday time in Macedonia. They are expected to be active as **Z38Z** for some days from there. Dates were not provided, but look for activity (soon) before September 2nd. If you had no luck to work them as Z38Z during May 2003, here is your chance to look for them again on the usual DX frequencies.

ZX35, BRAZIL (Special Callsign). Look for Orlando, PT2OP, to be active as **ZX35O** (Zulu, X-ray, Three, Five, Oscar), between **August 16th and September 16th**, to celebrate his 35th anniversary as an amateur radio operator. Activity will be on all bands CW/SSB. QSL via PT2OP (direct or by the Bureau).

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http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html

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